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Lloyd House
86-88 Plane Street
Newark, Essex County, New Jersey

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Owner: John C. Lloyd, Nutley

Date of Erection: 88 about 1830; 86 about 1840

Architect:

Builder: 88 - William Davis; 86 - William Agnew

Present Condition: Fair

Number of Stories: 88 three stories; 86 two and one-half stories

Materials of Construction: Foundation - stone

Exterior walls - frame construction, clapboards

Interior walls - plaster

Inside brick chimneys

Roof - 88 flat; 86 pitch with dormers

Historical Data:

Number 88 was undoubtedly built by William Davis who owned most of the land in this neighborhood. The parcel upon which this house stands was sold at sheriff's sale to William Agnew in 1835 for a consideration of fifteen hundred and eighty dollars indicating that there was a house on it. It also seems likely that Agnew built 86 between 1835 and 1861, for in 1861 he sold 86 to Isaac B. Tomkins for fourteen hundred dollars, and four years later, 1865, he sold

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88 to Mary Low for twenty-one hundred dollars, and in that same year Mary Low paid Catherine Davis, the widow of William fifty dollars for her dower rights in the property. It is perfectly logical to assume from these records that Davis was the builder of 88 and Agnew was the builder of 86. From the construction of the house, it would seem that 88 was originally a two and one-half story house with a pitch roof and dormers similar to 86, and at some later date the roof was raised and an extra story added.

Mary Low sold the property in 1868 to Thomas Jeraleman. Three years later Jeraleman sold to David Meeker for seven thousand dollars. The heirs of Meeker were the defendants in a suit and the sheriff sold the property in 1879 to John C. Lloyd who held the mortgage. The present owners are the grandchildren of John C. Lloyd. 86 remained in the Tomkins family until 1922. When Isaac Tomkins died he willed the property to Joseph S. Tomkins, Sara J. his wife, and Anna B. Tomkins, spinster. The will of Sara J. in turn gave the property to Josephine A. Van Iderstine whose son Raymond sold the property to John C. Lloyd et als in 1922.

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